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1. BORISOV OF MFA INFORMED EMBASSY AUGUST 3 THAT CODEL VISIT TO MOSCOW AND LENINGRAD CONFIRMED FOR PERIOD AUGUST 14-19. HOWEVER, ONWARD TRAVEL TO NAKHODKA HAS NOT BEEN APPROVED AT THIS TIME.

2. BORISOV SAID BECAUSE MINFISH TRAINING INSTITUTE AT NAKHODKA CLOSED FOR VACATION AND TRAVEL TO NAKHODKA BACK TO Khabarovsk NOT PERMITTED ACCORDING TO INTOURIST REGULATIONS, VISIT THERE VERY DIFFICULT TO ARRANGE. BORISOV ADDED THAT NAKHODKA WAS STILL "UNDER CONSIDERATION" AND THAT HE WOULD PROVIDE FINAL ANSWER ON AUGUST 5.

3. EMBASSY POINTED OUT THAT CODEL WOULD BE INTERESTED IN MEETING MINFISH OFFICIALS IN NAKHODKA EVEN IF TRAINING INSTITUTE CLOSED AT THE TIME. AT SAME TIME, EMBASSY REQUESTED BORISOV SECURE PERMISSION FOR CODEL TO TAKE TRAIN FROM Khabarovsk TO NAKHODKA AND BACK.

4. EMBASSY WILL FOLLOW UP ON NAKHODKA TRAVEL WITH MFA ON AUGUST 5 AND REPORT ANSWER AT ONCE.

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